



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Frits Franciscus Carolus GROOT, et al.

SERIAL NO: 10/777,757

GAU: 3653

FILED: February 13, 2004

EXAMINER: JOERGER, K. S.

FOR: DEVICE AND METHOD FOR SORTING PRODUCTS

**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136**

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

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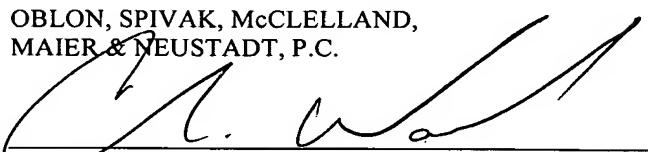
It is hereby requested that a one month extension of time be granted to **DECEMBER 15, 2006** for

- filing a response to the Official Action dated:
- responding to the requirements in the Notice of Allowability dated:
- filing the Formal Drawings. The Issue Fee due has been timely filed.
- responding to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated:
- filing a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in lieu of a Notice of Appeal. A timely response to the final rejection, due NOVEMBER 15, 2006, has been filed.**
- filing an Appeal Brief. A Notice of Appeal was filed on:
- Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown below is reduced by one-half.

The required fee of **\$120.00** is enclosed herewith by **credit card payment** and any further charges may be made against the Attorney of Record's Deposit Account No. 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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